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According to the Medical Record there is in this country one physician to every 600 people.

After a preacher has made a married couple one they each immediately set to work to find out which is the one.

In view of various stories that come from the Flowery Kingdom, it is not always well to accept a bare rumor for the naked truth.

The man who announces that he has a method of making old bones assemble themselves and come to life probably imagines that he has a rattling good thing.

A trade journal estimates the American "output" of bicycles for the past year at about 850,000 wheels. More than 100,000 are exported, and about 750,000 were reserved for home consumption.

No person in the civilized world who reads of the touching funeral ceremonies over the body of Italy's murdered king can fail to be impressed by the fact that anarchy is a very small sentiment after all, and that it makes a noise out of all proportion to its size.

Chicago is congratulating itself—and with good reason—on the steady improvement in the health of its inhabitants. Records kept by the Board of Health show a constant decrease in the death rate during the last twenty years, particularly among children.

In his address at Cambridge Mr. Balfour, who is one of the many scholarly and somewhat erudite British statesmen, professed a fondness for the eighteenth century. In those days men occupied themselves much with the future.

Men used to look about in deserts and wildernesses for the fountain of youth. Latterly they are more sensible, and look each man inside of himself.

Why not live forever? the advance school is saying. Is not the body renewed throughout every few years? Is it not merely a machine? Cannot proper care and intelligence always replace worn-out parts with new parts as good as the originals, or even better in many cases?

Below Zero All the Year. The coldest inhabited country appears to be the province of Verchokansk, in Oriental Siberia.

A Russian architect who has been traveling in this country to study American building methods was greatly interested in the elevator which he saw used for raising brick in the construction of a great apartment house.

order that he might have visual evidence of it to show on his return home. In his country no other method of hoisting brick is in use than the primitive one of carrying them aloft on the shoulders of men.

That there are too many studies in the public schools, in all grades and all departments from the primary to the high school, in nearly every State in the Union, is the general belief of schoolmen who understand and correctly apprehend the theory of education.

Shark stories, with some reason, are commonly received with incredulity. A well authenticated anecdote, however, is told of Dr. Frederic Hill, an English surgeon of distinction.

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No Austrian Colonies. Austria is the only empire in the world which has never had colonies, or even transmarine possessions in any quarter of the earth.

FOR SUNDAY READING

THE GOSPEL OF GRACE IS HERE EXPOUNDED.

Words of Wisdom, and Thoughts Worth Pondering Upon Spiritual and Moral Subjects—Gathered from the Religious and Secular Press.

Two evangelists were conducting a series of special meetings in a small mining town in Eastern Nova Scotia two years ago.

One evening the leader of the meeting asked all who loved the Lord Jesus Christ to arise, and stand for a few moments. Among those who arose were the little boy and his mother, the father remaining seated.

Needless to say the father got no sleep that night, but on his knees, with his arms around his little son, he gave himself to the Lord.

Consideration for Others' Feelings. Many a time we see a face so finely lined it looks like a bit of parchment written over by the hand of some cunning, ancient scribe.

Between the shine and the shadow Is a line of sweet content; Between the pain and pleasure Comes a blessing God hath sent.

When the web of life seems woven With each thread of darkest hue, Watch the shadow of the violet, Catch bright gleams from morning dew.

Clouded skies reflect more brightly All the rainbow's wondrous glint As it spans 'twixt sunny noontime And the nightfall's restful tint.

Faith in God will show the beauty Born from loneliness and pain, As those plants that bloom the fairest In the earth have longest lain.

Were it not for this between-times— Rich oasis through earth life— Some weak soul might miss the pathway Leading up to paradise.

Sacred memories come with twilight, Then we draw more near to God, Thanking him for having led us By the path his feet have trod.

Sweet the lesson learned between-times Of our Elder Brother's care, And the glory that awaits us In his presence "over there," —Delia P. Branham.

"Pour Contempt on All My Pride." On pride of wealth.—"The Son of Man hath not where to lay His head."

Pride of respectability.—"Can any good thing come out of Nazareth?" "He shall be called a Nazarene."

Pride of personal appearance.—"He hath no form or comeliness." Pride of birth and rank.—"Is not this the carpenter's son?"

Pride of reputation.—"Behold a man gluttonous, and a wine-bibber, friend of publicans and sinners." Pride of independence.—"Many others ministered to Him of their substance?"

Pride of learning.—"How knoweth this man letters, having never learned?" Pride of superiority.—"I am among you as he that serveth."

Pride of success.—"He came unto His own, but His own received Him not." "Neither did His brethren believe on Him." "He was despised and rejected of men."

Pride of ability.—"I can of mine own self do nothing."

Pride of self-will.—"I seek not Mine own will, but the will of Him that sent Me."

Pride of intellect.—"As My Father hath taught Me I speak these things."

Pride of bigotry.—"Forbid him not; for he that is not against us, is on our part."—Baptist Messenger.

"What You Are." A little boy was on the scales, and being very anxious to outweigh his playmate, he puffed out his cheeks and swelled up like a little frog.

Our manner of doing a thing often counts for more than the thing itself. Some people have the gift of doing a gracious thing ungraciously.

Leaving No Sting. Some people have the gift of doing a gracious thing ungraciously.

WANTED SPECIMENS, NOT GOLD. Cranky Geologist Who Deliberately Ignored a Rich Mineral Deposit.

"One of the most valuable mineral deposits in the Black Hills district was originally discovered by a cranky geologist, who had to be forced into profiting by his find."

"One day a practical mining man, with whom he had become acquainted, was looking over the collection, and ran across a specimen that showed free gold to the naked eye."

Fatal Effects of Green Sorghum. There has been much discussion in some of the Western papers as to the cause of cattle dying suddenly after eating green sorghum.

Faroe Islands. There are many instances of congregations of one, but perhaps the most remarkable is that in the Faroe Islands.

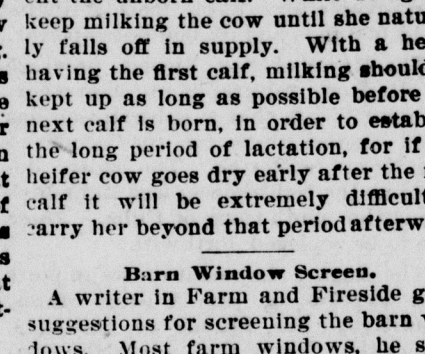
Abandoned Farms. We have seldom seen a better excuse for the abandoned farms in New England than we find in the Farming World of Toronto.



Drying of Cows. There is a well-founded belief that the cow who is a persistent milker does not produce the best calves.

Overworking Children. We are sorry to see it stated in a Maine paper that a girl 13 years old and weighing 115 pounds has done the full work of a man during the haying season.

Barn Window Screen. A writer in Farm and Fireside gives suggestions for screening the barn windows.



SCREENED WINDOW.

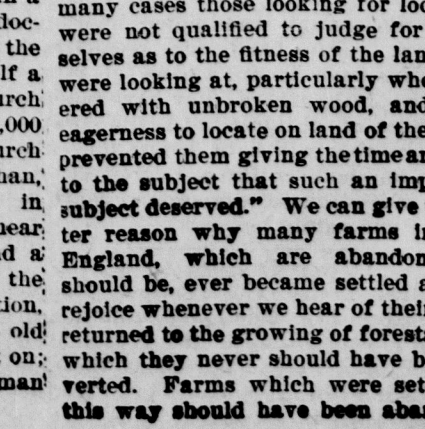
It is thus very easy to slide either the screen or the glass sash whichever way may be needed over the opening.

Straw Horseshoes. Straw is put to strange uses in Japan. Most of the horses are shod with straw.

Need for Sitting Hens. If hens are allowed to sit during the cold weather, the nests must not only be composed of warm material, but the boxes must be in a warm location.

Cucumbers. I raise five crops instead of one on the same ground, and on the same vines with hardly any extra work.

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years ago, and left to the renovating process of a wood growth to bring them to a fertile condition again.—American Cultivator.

Hog Cholera Experiments. The division of animal pathology of the experiment station at the University of Nebraska is perfecting its plans for the coming year's campaign against hog cholera.

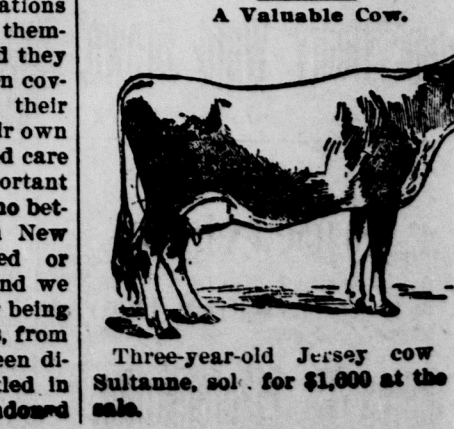
Pig Notes. Soak wheat twelve hours before feeding to hogs. When the pig is grown he should be ready for market.

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